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| FORM PTO 1390 (REV 10-2003) | | U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 06920/0201631-US0 |
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/501613 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP02/00312 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 18 January 2002 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 18 January 2002 | |
| TITLE OF INVENTION PRODUCING METHOD OF α -HYDROXY ACID AMMONIUM SALT | | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Yoichi Kobayashi et al. | | | |

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- ☐ The US has been elected (Article 31).
- ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
 - ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
 - ☒ is attached hereto.
 - ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
 - ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
- ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
- ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
- ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- ☒ A preliminary amendment.
- ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
- ☐ A substitute specification.
- ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
- ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☐ Other items or information:

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21. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)):

☐ Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO \$1080.00

☒ International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO \$920.00

☐ International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO \$770.00

☐ International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$730.00

☐ International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$100.00

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| CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | \$ | |
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| Total claims | -20 = | | x | \$ | |
| Independent claims | -3 = | | x | \$ | |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(s) (if applicable) | | | + | \$ | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ | 920.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2. | | | | \$ | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ | 920.00 |
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| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ | 920.00 |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21 (h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | + | \$ |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$ | 920.00 |
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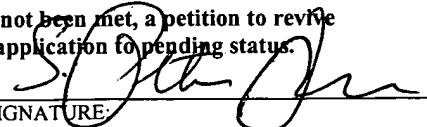
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NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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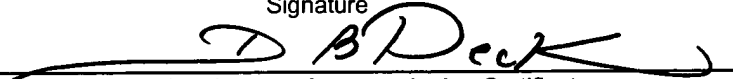
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 Application Data Sheet (3 pages)
 English language translation of the International application including:
 Specification (28 pages); Claims (4 pages); Abstract (1 page)
 Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO SB/08; and eleven (11) documents
 Preliminary Amendment (4 pages)
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